In addition to the above national programmes, the Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana (RSVY) is also being implemented in Orissa. Under the Backward Districts Initiative component of RSVY, five districts of Orissa, namely, Keonjhar, Sundergarh, Ganjam, Gajapati and Mayurbhanj are covered for which Special Central Assistance of Rs. 45 crore for each district is to be provided over a period of three years. Under another component of RSVY, namely Special Plan for the undivided Kalahandi - Bolangir - Koraput (KBK) disricts of Orissa, Special Central Assistance of Rs. 250 crore per annum is being provided during the Tenth Plan period.

First social development report

†2797. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the first social development report more than 260 million people in the country are living below the poverty line; and

(b) if so, the number thereof and the assessment with regard to their average monthly income, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) Yes Sir. As per the recent report brought out by the Council for Social Development, published by Oxford University Press, namely. 'India Social Development Report', it has been stated that 260 million Indians are still below poverty line according to 1999-2000; data (Page No. 2, Table No. 1.1 of the report). It may be mentioned that this figure is taken from the official poverty esimates brought out by the Planning Commission on the basis of NSS 55th round of large scale sample survey on house hold consumer expenditure, which was conducted during the year 1999-2000. The State-wise details of incidence of poverty by official methodology of Planning Commission is given in Statement-I. (*See* below)

(b) The Planning Commission estimates poverty on the basis of average monthly consumption expenditure, as generated by NSSO in its large sample survey and published in its reports. The data available from NSSO are on expenditures of households and not income. The average monthly expenditure of the poor is estimated to be Rs. 265.96 and Rs. 358.74 per capita per month in rural and urban areas respectively in 1999-2000. The State wise monthly average expenditure of poor in 1999-2000 is attached in Statement-II.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

Statement-I

Number and percentage of Population Below Poverty Line by States-1999-2000

No.	States/U.T's	Rural		Urban		Combined	
		No. of Persons (Lakhs)	% of Persons	No. of Persons (Lakhs)	% of Persons	No. of Persons (Lakhs)	% of Persons
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	58.13	11.05	60.88	26.63	119.01	15.77
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	3.80	40.04	0.18	7.47	3.98	33.47
3.	Assam	92.17	40.04	2.38	7.47	94.55	36.09
4.	Bihar	376.51	44.30	49.13	32.91	425.64	42.60
5.	Goa	0.11	1.35	0.59	7.52	0.70	4.40
6.	Gujarat	39.80	13.17	28.09	15.59	67.89	14.07
7.	Haryana	11.94	8.27	5.39	9.99	17.34	8.74
8.	Himachal Pradesh	4.84	7.94	0.29	4.63	5.12	7.63
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	2.97	3.97	0.49	1.98	3.46	3.48
10.	Karnataka	59.91	17.38	44.49	25.25	104.40	20.04
11.	Kerala	20.97	9.38	20.07	20.27	41.04	12.72
12.	Madhya Pradesh	217.32	37.06	81.22	38.44	298.54	37.43
13.	Maharashtra	125.12	23.72	102.87	26.81	227.99	25.02
14.	Manipur	6.53	40.04	0.66	7.47	7.19	28.54
15.	Meghalaya	7.89	40.04	0.34	7.47	8.23	33.87
16.	Mizoram	1.40	40.04	0.45	7.47	1.85	19.47
17.	Nagaland	5.21	40.04	0.28	7.47	5.49	32.67
18.	Orissa	143.69	48.01	25.40	42.83	169.09	47.15
19.	Punjab	10.20	6.35	4.29	5.75	14.49	6.16
20.	Rajasthan	55.06	13.74	26.78	19.85	81.83	15.28
21.	Sikkim	2.00	40.04	0.04	7.47	2.05	36.55

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22.	Tamil Nadu	80.51	20.55	49.97	22.11	130.48	21.12
23.	Tripura	12.53	40.04	0.49	7.47	13.02	34.44
24.	Uttar Pradesh	412.01	31.22	117.88	30.89	529.89	31.15
25.	West Bengal	180.11	31.85	33.38	14.86	213.49	27.02
26.	A & N Island	0.58	20.55	0.24	22.11	0.82	20.99
27.	Chandigarh	0.06	5.75	0.45	5.75	0.51	5.75
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.30	17.57	0.03	13.52	0.33	17.14
29.	Daman & Diu	0.01	1.35	0.05	7.52	0.06	4.44
30.	Delhi	0.07	0.40	11.42	9.42	11.49	8.23
31.	Lakshadweep	0.03	9.38	0.08	20.27	0.11	15.60
32.	Pondicherry	0.64	20.55	1.77	22.11	2.41	21.67
	ALL INDIA	1932.43	27.09	670.07	23.62	2602.50	26 10

Note.

1. Poverty Ratio of Assam is used for Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura.
2. Poverty Line of Maharashtra and expenditure distribution of Goa is used to estimate poverty ratio of Goa.
3. Poverty Line of Himachal Pradesh and expenditure distribution of Jammu & Kashmir is used to estimate poverty ratio of Jammu & Kashmir.
4. Poverty Ratio of Tamil Nadu is used for Pondicherry and A & N Island.
5. Urban Poverty Ratio of Punjab used for both rural and urban poverty of Chandigarh.
6. Poverty Line of Maharashtra and expenditure distribution of Dadra & Nagar Haveli is used to estimate poverty ratio of Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
7. Poverty Ratio of Goa is used for Daman & Diu.
8. Poverty Ratio of Kerala is used for Lakshadweep.

Statement-II

Average monthly expenditure of Poor (in Rs.)

S. No.	State/U.T.'s	Avg. Exp. of Poor 1999-2000	
		Rural	Urban
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	223.55	365.41
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00
3.	Assam	290.18	277.96
4.	Bihar	268.66	306.48
5.	Goa	322.13	448.74
6.	Gujarat	267.92	406.86
7.	Haryana	309.85	336.84
8.	Himachal Pradesh	321.89	368.07
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	330.90	382.54
10.	Karnataka	263.10	400.24
11.	Kerala	316.99	388.00
12.	Madhya Pradesh	248.03	364.41
13.	Maharashtra	262.20	407.82
14.	Manipur	0.00	0.00
15.	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00
16.	Mizoram	0.00	0.00
17.	Nagaland	0.00	0.00
18.	Orissa	246.49	354.66
19.	Punjab	320.19	353.75
20.	Rajasthan	293.32	389.85

1	2	3	4
21.	Sikkim	0.00	0.00
22.	Tamil Nadu	252.05	376.86
23.	Tripura	0.00	0.00
24.	Uttar Pradesh	274.96	328.99
25.	West Bengal	280.72	343.10
26.	A & N Island	0.00	0.00
27.	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2.66.09	463.13
29.	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00
30.	Delhi	348.12	424.70
31.	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00
32.	Pondicherry	0.00	0.00
	ALL INDIA	265.96	358.74

Bharat Nirman Programme in Punjab

2798. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Nirman Programme has been launched in Punjab;

(b) the amount earmarked for the purpose and released; and

(c) the target fixed for the financial year 2006-07?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) Yes, Sir.